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La Porte's Outsider Cycles donates bike for Texas Honor Ride organization raffle



**Members of the Texas Honor Ride organization, and Outsider Cycles
raffle bike for charity**

“Standing for those who stood for us” is the motto of the Texas Honor Riders (THR), as well as a philosophy shared by the owners and staff of La Porte’s Outsider Cycles. With over 12 years of experience in custom motorcycle building, Outsider Cycles specializes in American V-twin, and does everything from service & repair to full-custom builds. They also have a very giving spirit, exemplified by their recent multi-thousand dollar donation to the Texas Honor Ride organization, who raffled off the highly customized 1978 motorcycle.

Over the past 10 years, the Texas Honor Ride organization has collected over 1 million dollars in their efforts to support wounded troops and their families at the San Antonio Medical Center - Warrior Family Support Center. During the close of January, at retirement ceremonies for Texas Honor Ride member Lieutenant (Ret.) Gary Rice of La Porte Police, representatives from Outsider Cycles and THR presented raffle winner, Patriot Guard Riders of Texas member Lou Freitas, with a custom motorcycle, as part of a recent event to support wounded troops.

The bike, a 1978 80 c.i. Harley Davidson Shovelhead model, was built with hours of meticulous effort by Outsider’s Gary, Brian, and Matthew Tandy, as well as Mike Helfenstein, and was



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made possible via contributions from other businesses throughout the region, including Ride Rite Wheels, Drag Specialist Tires, Le Pera Seats, Baker Transmissions, L.A. Chopper Bars, Jones Auto Paint & Body, Phillips Powder Coat, and Copeland Signs. In the end, Freitas walked away with a top-notch machine, Outsider Cycles was able to put their craft to the ultimate use, and The Texas Honor Ride was able to continue its programs designed to provide for our wounded troops.